MEMORIAL TO CONGRESS,

To establish necessary Mail Routes in the Territory of Utah.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives
of the United States in Congress assembled:

WHEREAS, the people of the Territory of Utah, are not reasonably provided with mails, and we wish Congress to authorize sufficient Mail Routes in said Territory for the convenience of the people: And

WHEREAS, we deem it our privilege to have our citizens better supplied with those facilities for inter-communication with each other, and the other citizens of the vast republic in which we live: And,

WHEREAS, at present we have only one mail from California, and the Missouri River, which purports to arrive and depart monthly, but which frequently fails to arrive even at these long intervals: And,

WHEREAS, many parts and portions of this Territory have no mail routes, and are wholly dependent upon their own exertions to procure the mails in many places, having to travel from 25 to 150 miles to a post office.

THEREFORE, WE, THE GOVERNOR AND LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY of the Territory of Utah, do hereby memorialize your honorable body, for an extension of Mail Routes and facilities as follows, to wit: a semi-monthly mail from Independence, Mo., or Council Bluffs, Iowa, to Great Salt Lake City; also a weekly mail from Great Salt Lake City, via Taylorsville, West Jordan, Gardners Mill, Binghams Kanyon to Cedar Valley; this section of the country contains nearly 1,000 inhabitants who are now destitute of mails. Also a weekly mail route from Great Salt Lake City to Iron County a distance of 260 miles via Provo, Springville, Nephi, Fillmore, to Parowan, and Cedar cities, as at present there are no mails to Millard and Iron Counties: Also, an extension of the mail route from Ogden City to Youngsville in Weber County, a distance of twenty miles: Also from Tooele City to Grantsville in Tooele County, distance ten miles: Also a *side* mail on the Iron County route from Nephi City to *Manti* via Denmark, San Pete County, distance 60 miles: Also from Great Salt Lake City to Mountainville, via Neffs Mill, Mill Creek, Holladay's Settlement, Little Cotton Wood, Drapersville, distance 30 miles.

We memorialize your honorable body for the above-named routes to be granted, for there are nearly one-half of the inhabitants of this Territory without mails, or access to any post office without travelling from 25 to 150 miles as herein above-mentioned, and your Memorialists, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

W. RICHARDS,
President of the Council.
J. M. GRANT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Approved, January 19th, 1854,
BRIGHAM YOUNG,
Governor of Utah Territory.